# Type D - Rigid Inlet Filters

# Plan Symbol



There are two uses for rigid inlet filters: median applications (Type D1) and sump applications (Type D2). Type D1 filters have more overflow capacity and less filtration area than Type D2 to prevent ponding in medians. These filters are capable of protecting inlet structures not associated with curb inlets

### **Materials**

Rigid inlet filters exhibit the following properties:

- Composed of a geotextile fabric connected to a rigid structure. The geotextile fabric is non-biodegradable and resistant to degradation by ultraviolet exposure and resistant to contaminants commonly encountered in storm water.
- Use a rigid structure composed of high molecular weight, high-density polyethylene copolymer with a UV inhibitor. Do not use structures that are not reusable and recyclable.
- Use a filter fabric constructed of 100% continuous polyester non-woven engineering fabric. The filter fabric is fabricated to provide a direct fit adjacent to the associated rigid structure.
- Rigid inlet filters have a two-stage design. The first stage conveys normal flows at a minimum clean water flow rate of 100 gallons per minute per square foot. The second stage conveys high flow rates, with a minimum apparent opening of 0.5-inch per square inch (No. 12 standard sieve opening).
- Type D1 inlet filters have a first stage minimum height of 9-inches and a maximum height of 12-inches in order to allow greater overflow capacity and prevent ponding in the median.
- Rigid inlet filters completely surround the inlet.
- Rigid inlet filters have lifting devices or structures to assist in the installation and to allow inspection of the storm water system.
- The filter fabric is capable of reducing effluent sediment concentrations by no less than 80% under typical sediment migration conditions.
- Select applicable Type D inlet filters from the SCDOT approved products list.

#### Installation

Install rigid inlet filters in accordance with the Manufacturer's written installation instructions. Properly install rigid inlet protection so the inlet is completely enclosed.

## **Inspection and Maintenance**

- Inspect every 7 calendar days and within 24-hours after each storm that produces ½-inches or more of rain. Any needed repairs should be handled immediately.
- Inspect after installation to insure that no gaps exist that may permit sediment to enter the storm drain system
- Remove and/or replace rigid inlet filters to adapt to changing construction site conditions.
- Clean the rigid inlet protection filter material when it becomes covered or clogged with deposited sediment.
- Replace the rigid inlet protection filter material as directed by the Engineer.





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# **Preventive Measures and Troubleshooting Guide**

| Field Condition  | Common Solutions   |
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| Excessive sediment is entering the inlet.                  | Ensure that soil stabilization and sediment control devices are installed upstream of inlets. Ensure that the rigid inlet filters are installed correctly. |
| Sediment reaches 1/3 the height of the structure.          | Remove sediment.   |
| Rigid inlet filter material becomes clogged with sediment. | Pull rigid inlet filters from inlet and clean them, or replace rigid inlet filters with new filter material.   |
| Ponded water causes a traffic concern.                     | Use alternate BMPs upstream. Remove rigid inlet filter if necessary.   |